

TO PARENTS/CARERS OF PUPILS ATTENDING BRAEVIEW ACADEMY, CRAIGIE HIGH SCHOOL, BALLUMBIE PRIMARY SCHOOL, CLAYPOTTS CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL, FINTRY PRIMARY SCHOOL, LONGHAUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL, MILL OF MAINS PRIMARY SCHOOL AND ROWANTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

LEARNING ESTATE CONSULTATIONS

THE CLOSURE OF BRAEVIEW ACADEMY AND CRAIGIE HIGH SCHOOL AND THE REDELINEATION OF EXISTING SCHOOL CATCHMENTS TO FORM A NEW SINGLE CATCHMENT AREA FOR A NEW JOINT SECONDARY SCHOOL/COMMUNITY LEARNING CAMPUS FROM AUGUST 2024; AND THE EXPANSION OF THE CATCHMENT AREA FOR GROVE ACADEMY FROM AUGUST 2024 TO EMBRACE THE CURRENT CRAIGIEBARNS PRIMARY SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA.

You will be aware that the above consultations were due to run from 10 February to 27 March 2020. Unfortunately, due to the Corona virus pandemic and unprecedented events resulting from COVID 19, all schools in Scotland closed on 20 March and we were unable to complete the consultation within the timescale originally envisaged.

Schools will not be open again for all pupils in what would be regarded as normal school days until Monday 17 August 17 2020. With this in mind we intend to extend the consultation and conclude it on 4 September 2020 at 5pm. This will provide some additional time for stakeholders to respond to the proposals set out in the consultations.

The bulk of the planned consultation activities had been carried out prior to the lockdown of schools on 20 March 2020 including public meetings on both proposals. However, there were two further planned public meetings (one on each proposal), that we could not take forward as a result of the lockdown.

Due to ongoing restrictions on large public gatherings, and in an attempt to best support the conclusion of the consultation process and make sure we obtain the most comprehensive views of the proposals, we intend to carry out these last two events using a digital format. The resources used to support the previous public consultation events will be made available via the consultation web pages to allow stakeholder access to any information or materials they would have received at a public meeting.

Over the three week period, stakeholders will be able to submit questions which will be answered on a weekly basis by senior council officers with both the questions and answers published on the webpage. Please use the following link to the consultation webpage where there are details of the engagement and how to respond. A link to the questions and answers section will also be found within this.

https://www.dundeecity.gov.uk/school-learning-estate-formal-consultation

I hope this letter provides some clarity and a way forward during these challenging times. I look forward to continuing to receive your views on the proposals and your engagement in the digital events.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Director of Children and Families Service





